GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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STAND-BY SCHEME
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether foreign airlines have a system of `Stand-by` for passengers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Indian Airlines also propose to adopt the similar `Stand-by` scheme for providing better facilities to the passengers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a)&(b): Under `Stand-by` scheme prevalent in foreign countries, discounts are offered by the carriers against seat going vacant at the time of departure. Stand by passengers are accepted at the last minute at the airport to ensure that high-yield passengers are not denied booking/seats. However, no foreign airline is following the `Stand-by` scheme in India.

(c)&(d): No, Sir. However, Indian Airlines has introduced promotional/discounted fares to ensure optimal utilisation of capacity.